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PROCESSING OF A  
HYDROCARBON  
CONTAINING FORMATION  
IN A REDUCING  
ENVIRONMENT

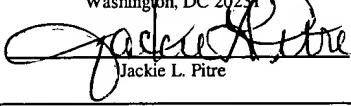
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Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

04/04/2003 EHARRIS 00000008 501505 09841444  
01 FC:1202 In the Specification:  
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Listed below is a clean copy of amended paragraphs of the Specification. A marked-up copy of the amended paragraphs is provided in an accompanying document.

On page 38, please delete the paragraph beginning on line 14, and substitute therefor:

As used herein, "a method of treating a hydrocarbon containing formation" may be used interchangeably with "an in situ conversion process for hydrocarbons." "Hydrocarbons" are